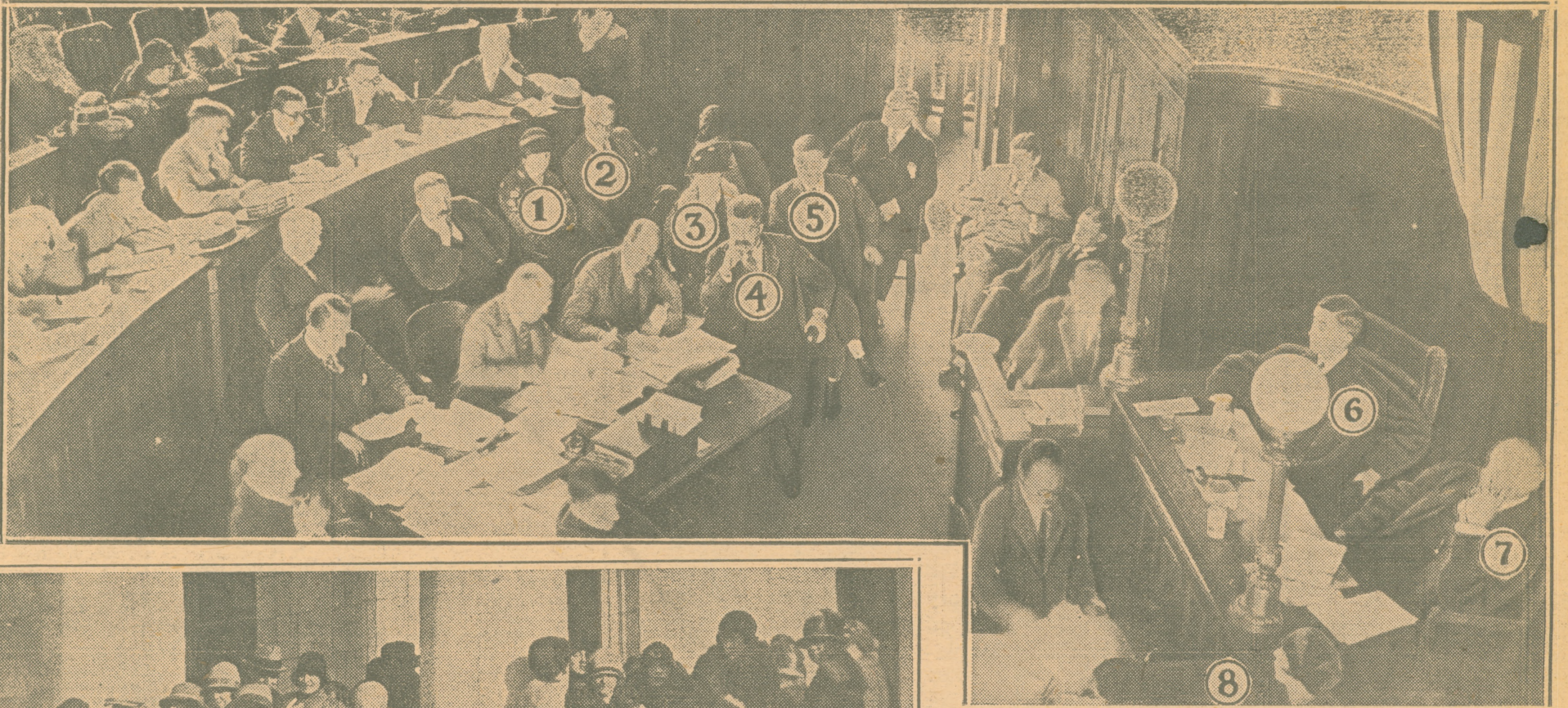


Swift Developments Mark Opening of Murder Trial of Century



TRIAL OF CENTURY BEGINS. Lifting of curtain on Hall-Mills murder trial jammed the Somerville, N. J., courthouse yesterday. The state produced two surprise witnesses, who shook alibi of Willie Stevens. Photo above shows principals in the drama as trial opened. They are: (1) Mrs. Carpenter, (2) Commander Carpenter, (3) Mrs. Hall, (4) Willie Stevens, (5) Henry Stevens, (6) Judge Cleary, (7) Justice Parker, (8) Charlotte Mills. (Photo Graphic.)



WOMEN STORM COURT. Here is part of the crowd that couldn't get into the jammed Somerville, N. J., court for opening of Hall-Mills trial. Many curious women brought their children along and lingered near the court all day



MRS. HALL BORE UP WELL under ordeal of first day of her trial for murder. She was visibly affected only when surprise witnesses testified to presence of Willie Stevens in De Russey Lane on murder night. Photo shows Mrs. Hall leaving court with Commander Arthur Carpenter.



TESTIFIES. Charlotte Mills, daughter of the slain choir singer, sobbed throughout her testimony. Photo shows her leaving court yesterday. (Photo Graphic.)



"PIG WOMAN" ARRIVES. Mrs. Jane Gibson, state's star witness, who claims to have witnessed the Hall-Mills murders, collapsed during proceedings and had to retire to anteroom. She's shown above arriving at court with daughter and Capt. Walsh. (Photo Graphic.)